

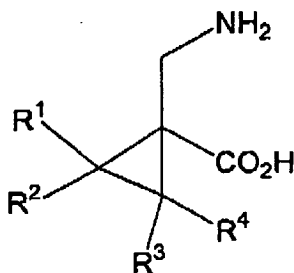
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Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Original) A compound of the formula I



wherein R^1 and R^2 are selected, independently, from hydrogen, (C_1-C_{10}) straight or branched alkyl, (C_1-C_{10}) straight or branched alkoxyalkyl, phenyl- (C_1-C_3) straight or branched alkyl and phenyl- (C_1-C_3) straight or branched alkoxyalkyl, wherein said phenyl moieties can optionally be substituted with one or two substituents selected, independently, from halo or (C_1-C_3) alkyl;

or R^1 and R^2 , together with the carbon to which they are attached, form a cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl or cycloheptyl ring which can optionally be substituted with one or two substituents selected, independently, from the group of substituents named in the definition of R^1 and R^2 above; and

R^3 and R^4 are selected, independently, from hydrogen and methyl;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. (Original) A compound or salt according to claim 1 that is selected from the following compounds and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts:

1-Aminomethyl-spiro[2.4]heptane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-spiro[2.5]octane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-spiro[2.6]nonane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-5-methyl-spiro[2.4]heptane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-methyl-spiro[2.6]nonane-1-carboxylic acid;

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1-Aminomethyl-2,2-dimethyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2,2-di-n-propyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-isopropyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-cyclopropyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-isobutyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(1-ethyl-propyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-cyclohexyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid; and
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2-phenethyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid.
1-Aminomethyl-spiro[2.3]hexane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-spiro[2.7]decane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-5,6-dimethyl-spiro[2.4]heptane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-5-methyl-spiro[2.5]octane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-5,7-dimethyl-spiro[2.5]octane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2,2-dimethyl-spiro[2.6]nonane-1-carboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2,2-diethyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2,2-di-n-butyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2,2-diisobutyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-n-propyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2-methyl-butyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2,2-dimethyl-butyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2-methyl-pentyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2,2-dimethyl-pentyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(3-ethyl-pentyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(4-ethyl-hexyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(1-methyl-cyclopropylmethyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(1-ethyl-cyclopropylmethyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(1-propyl-cyclopropylmethyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2-methyl-hexyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2,2-dimethyl-hexyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2,6-dimethyl-heptyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(3,7-dimethyl-octyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;

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1-Aminomethyl-2-n-butyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-cyclobutyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-cyclopentyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-cycloheptyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-cyclopropylmethyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-cyclohexylmethyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-(2-cyclohexyl-ethyl)-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid;
1-Aminomethyl-2-phenyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid; and
1-Aminomethyl-2-benzyl-cyclopropanecarboxylic acid.

3. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound or salt according to claim 1, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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